

REMARKS

Amended claims 17 and 18 are in this application.

Claims 17 and 18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Proehl (U.S. Patent No. 6,532,589).

Amended independent claim 17 now recites in part the following:

"means, responsive to a determination from the determining means that the date has been selected, for accepting an input of user schedule information in which a user is able to edit a personal event or events of the selected day, and responsive to determinations from the determining means that the date has been selected and that the request for the EPG information has been made for causing said EPG information which comprises at least program guide information of the selected date to be displayed and for accepting a viewing reservation schedule for a desired program or programs; and" (Emphasis added)

The above-identified features are believed to be described in the present application. With regard thereto and as an example, reference is made to Figs. 6 and 7 and the corresponding portions of the specification of the present application.

In explaining the above 102 rejection the Examiner appears to assert that lines 7-10 and 30-60 of column 8 of Proehl disclose the above identified means. In response, it is respectfully submitted that such portions of Proehl do not appear to specifically disclose all of the above-identified features now specifically recited in claim 17. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the above 102 rejection of claim 17 be withdrawn.

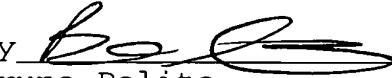
For reasons similar to those previously described with regard to claim 17, it is also respectfully requested that the above 102 rejection of claim 18 be withdrawn.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Official Action have been overcome, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited. If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone applicants' attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional rejections and/or objections which the Examiner might have.

If there are any charges in connection with this requested amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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